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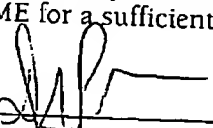
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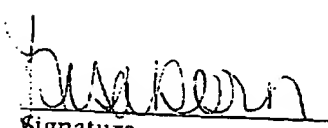
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In response to the restriction requirement dated October 19, 2004, Applicants elect group II, claims 27-31. The election is made without traverse. An early and favorable action on the merits is requested.

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